# CALIFORNIA EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY (Cal EMA) DOMESTIC VIOLENCE ASSISTANCE PROGRAM PERFORMANCE ASSESSMENT / SITE VISIT REPORT

. GRANT AWARD NUMBER	<b>R:</b> DV09121657	<b>DV</b> 09121657 <b>DATE OF SITE VIST:</b> 04/05/10 - 04				
<b>2. GRANT PERIOD:</b> July 1, 2009- June 30, 2010						
. RECIPIENT/IMPLEMENT	ING AGENCY:	Plumas Rur	al Services			
4. PROJECT DIRECTOR: Paula Johnston						
PERSONS INTERVIEWED I	OURING SITE V	TSIT:				
<u>NAME</u>	TIT	<u>LE</u>	AGENO	<u>CY</u>		
Delicia Martinettie	Training & Outr Specialist	each	Plumas Rural Serv	vices		
Stacy Berrie	Client Services S	Specialist	Plumas Rural Serv	rices		
Paula Johnston	Chief Operating	Officer	Plumas Rural Serv	vices		
Debbie Shirk	Fiscal Coordinat	cor	Plumas Rural Serv	vices		
<u> </u>						
Signature of Program Specialist	Date	Signature	of Section Chief	Date		
Signature of Project Representat	ive Date					

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	NO	<u>N/A</u>
1. OPERATIONAL DOCUMENTS			
<ul> <li>Review hard copy/verify the ability to access on line:</li> <li>The Cal EMA Recipient Handbook (R.H.)</li> <li>The Approved Grant Award Agreement</li> <li>The RFA/RFP (supersedes the requirement of the R.H.)</li> <li>The Program Guidelines (supersedes the requirement of the R.H.)</li> <li>Is the project familiar with Office of Management and Budget, OMB Circulars which govern your organization? Circulars may be found at www.whitehouse.gov/omb/circulars.</li> </ul>			
Comments:			
2. FIDELTY BOND CERTIFICATE - COMMUNITY BASED ORGANIZ AMERICAN INDIAN ORGANIZATIONS ONLY	ATION	(CBO	<u>) &amp;</u>
• Obtain copy of required Fidelity Bond Certificate? [R.H. Section 2161] Does <u>not</u> apply to state, city, or county units of government.			
<ul> <li>Does the certificate show:</li> <li>Bonding company name</li> <li>Bond number</li> <li>Description of coverage</li> <li>Amount of coverage (50% of allocation)</li> <li>Bond period</li> <li>Grant award number</li> <li>Employee Dishonesty, Form A</li> <li>Forgery Coverage, Form B</li> <li>Is the State of California, California Emergency Management Agency named on the bond as the beneficiary?</li> </ul>			
Comments:			
3. ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT – CEQA COMPLIANCE (R.H. Section	<u>2153)</u>		
• Does the project have their CEQA documentation on file?		$\boxtimes$	
Comments:			
4. PROOF OF AUTHORITY (R.H. Section 1350)			
• Does the project have a written authorization/resolution on file as required by the Grant Award Agreement? *Ask for copy			

5. ORGANIZATIONAL CHART

ADMINISTRATI	IVE REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	NO	<u>N/A</u>	
• Review the or identified?	rganizational chart. Are all budgeted positions				
Comments:					
6. <u>Cal EMA MO</u>	DIFICATION (Cal EMA 2-223)				
( <u>Cal EMA 2-2</u>	urpose/preparation of Grant Award Modification  223). [R. H. Section 7500] (Instruct the project staff  lure to obtain the most recent forms from Cal EMA				
A modificatio	on is needed for the following:				
	et changes ge in key personnel				
o Addin	g/changing additional signers				
	ge goals/objectives, or activities				
<ul><li>Addre</li><li>Other</li></ul>	ess change				
Comments:					
7. <u>PERSONNEL</u>					
required? [R.	ect staff have access to written personnel policies as <i>H. Section 2130]</i>				
<ul><li>Do policies in</li><li>Mainte</li></ul>	enance of personnel files for all paid and volunteer	$\bowtie$			
staff ii	ncluding job applications, salaries, benefits, and at job duties/descriptions				
o A curr	rent Drug Free Workplace policy statement on file				
	by the employee? [R. H. Section 2152]	$\square$			
<ul><li>Work</li><li>Comp</li></ul>	ensation rates		H	H	
o Overti					
• Did the Board	approve the agency's current personnel policy?	$\boxtimes$			
Comments:					
8. FUNCTIONA	I TIMECHEETS				
o. FUNCTIONA	<u>L TIMESHEETS</u>				
position less t	ect use functional timesheets for each grant funded than 1 FTE? OR Time Study Allocation plan updated				
• Are timesheet	t 2 years? [R. H. Section 11331] as (paid staff & volunteer) signed by staff & approved ? (Review timesheets to ensure they are signed by the rivisor)				

ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>N/A</u>
9. DUTIES OF FINANCIAL OFFICER AND BOOKKEEPER			
• Are the duties of the financial officer and the bookkeeper separate to ensure no one person has complete authority over a financial transaction?			
<ul> <li>Name of individual who approves purchases.</li> <li>Debbie Shirk</li> </ul>			
Name of individual who writes checks.  PDS financial clarks (non-great funded agency stoff)			
PRS financial clerks (non-grant funded agency staff)  Name of individual(s) who signs checks.			
Paula Johnston			
Comments: The DV section functions as an entity within the agency. The financial clerks for the agency. They are generated within the section by the COO.		-	
10. SOURCE DOCUMENTATION-Fiscal [R. H. Section 11000]			
• Does the project maintain a record-keeping system which will accurately support costs claimed on Report of Expenditure and Request for Funds (Cal EMA Form 2-201)?			
<ul> <li>Does the project maintain an accurate inventory log of equipment purchased with grant funds?</li> </ul>			
Comments: The agency uses MIP- nonprofit accounting software. The age log of equipment purchased with grant funds. However, this log contains in use currently. The RH was not followed for the replacement of equipment consequently the agency does not know which equipment has been phased equipment in the log was for a computer system that would, if purchased cost. The items on the log included the monitor, desk chair, etc.)	equipment that ent that was pu d out and which	may o rchased h still i	r may not be d, and s in use (The
11. PROJECT EXPENDITURES			
• Is the project's expenditure rate commensurate with the elapsed period of the grant?			
<ul> <li>Are the project's expenditures being made in accordance with the terms of the Grant Award Agreement?</li> </ul>			
<ul> <li>Does the project need to submit a Grant Award Modification Request (Cal EMA Form 2-223)?</li> </ul>	$\boxtimes$		
<ul> <li>Is the project up-to-date with the submission of Cal EMA Form 2-201?</li> </ul>			

Comments: A Modification may be submitted (as discussed) to move funding for the purpose of purchasing a shelter van for the transportation of clients.

#### 12. MATCH REQUIREMENTS

A.	ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW	<b>YES</b>	NO	<u>N/A</u>		
	Does the project have a match requirement?	$\boxtimes$				
	• Is the project meeting the match requirement?	$\boxtimes$				
	<ul> <li>Review the supporting documentation to substantiate cash or in-kind match.</li> </ul>					
	Comments: Match is from an in-kind donation. Volunteers are trained by the agency and then used to staff the hotline, which is administered and run through another nonprofit agency. Calls from this hotline go directly to the client services advocates from the hotline. The volunteer hours are donated by the other nonprofit to Plumas Rural Services. Each month, a record of the total volunteer hours for the month are sent to PRS accounting for the purposes of submitting the 201s. The non-profit administering the shelter hotline is also in a contractual agreement with PRS for services rendered in Sierra County. This contract includes the exchanging of funds. It is unclear which services are covered by the funds of the contract as opposed to the services that are donated to PRS. Match cannot be substantiated without further clarification.					
	13. EEO POLICY					
	• Go over EEO checklist. (Separate document)					
	Comments:					

B.	PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW	YES	<u>NO</u>	<u>N/A</u>			
GEN	NERAL						
	1. PROGRAM GOALS AND OBJECTIVES						
	• Review the goals and objectives of the program and the programmatic requirements of the Grant Award Agreement. Is the project meeting the program goals and objectives?						
	<ul> <li>Does the project staff need to submit Cal EMA Form 2-223 to modify their grant objectives?</li> </ul>						
	Comments: The Project is currently far below the projected quarterly average for several goals. However the project has passed the seven month limit for modifying goals. The cause of the lower than projected numbers will be explained in the final progress report in detail, but is mostly based on funding cuts that took place after the initial projection was made.						
	2. PROGRESS REPORT						
	• Discuss and review the programmatic Progress Report requirements.						
	Comments:						
	3. SOURCE DOCUMENTATION – Programmatic						
	<ul> <li>Is the project maintaining a record keeping and data collection process that will accurately support the project's reported data on the Progress Report form?</li> <li>Review the project's file system and data collection process.</li> </ul>						
	Comments: The project lacks written protocols for the collection and reporting of currently does not have a database, and is tabulating all data by physically count			ect			
	4. OPERATIONAL AGREEMENTS						
	• Does the project have current Operational Agreements as required by the Grant Award Agreement (three years in length)?						
	Comments: OAs are up to date. However, the OA with the DA's Victim Witness Program seems to need revision as the terms of the OA are allowing for the VW Program to circumvent the expertise of the DV Program in responding to calls from hospitals and law enforcement. This situation is currently being addressed by the agencies involved and is being rectified.						
	5. PROJECT STAFF DUTIES						
	• Interview project staff and discuss their duties and the relationship to the grant. Are employees performing duties as stated in the Grant Award Agreement?						

#### B. PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW YES NO N/A

C	SUBLEMENTAL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
<u> DIRI</u>	ECT SERVICES				
	<ul> <li>1. Maintain 24-hour crisis hotline</li> <li>Crisis line staffed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on progress</li> </ul>				
	<ul><li>report (PR).</li><li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li></ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul> <li>2. Counseling to adult DV victims</li> <li>Free individual and group counseling provided to adult DV victims.</li> <li>If counseling referred, OA on file with service providers.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul> <li>3. Business Center</li> <li>Business center open during routine business hours.</li> <li>Staff coverage provided during lunchtime and staff meetings.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul> <li>4. Emergency Shelter</li> <li>Physical shelter exists</li> <li>Emergency shelter provided to DV victims and their children 24 hours per day.</li> </ul>	$\boxtimes$			
	<ul> <li>Victims and children with disabilities accommodated.</li> <li>Children's services provided.</li> <li>Accommodations for schooling made while children are in shelter.</li> <li>Written protocol for reporting suspected child abuse in place.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul><li>5. Emergency food and/or clothing</li><li>Emergency food and/or clothing provided to DV victims and their children.</li></ul>	$\boxtimes$			

<b>C.</b>	SUBLEMENTAL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW	<b>YES</b>	NO	<u>N/A</u>	
	<ul> <li>If emergency food and/or clothing is referred, OA on file with service providers.</li> </ul>		$\boxtimes$		
	<ul> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data. Clot met through vouchers to a thrift store. Food needs are sometimes met through ref Operational Agreements are on file with these agencies.	_			
	<ul> <li>6. 24 hour emergency response to Law Enforcement (LE)</li> <li>Written protocol in place to address LE referrals.</li> <li>Current OA on file with local LE.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.</li> <li>7. 24 hour response to hospital emergency rooms</li> <li>Written protocol in place to address emergency room referrals.</li> <li>Current OA on file with local emergency rooms.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.</li> <li>8. 24 hour transportation to shelter or other safe location</li> <li>Emergency transportation provided 24/7 to shelter to other safe location.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.</li> <li>9. Counseling to children of DV victims</li> <li>• Free, age-appropriate counseling provided to children of DV victims.</li> <li>• If counseling is referred, OA on file with service providers.</li> <li>• Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>• Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101</li> </ul>				

Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.

C.	SUBLEMENTAL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
	<ul> <li>10. Court and Social Service Advocacy for DV victims</li> <li>Victim advocacy to social services agencies provided.</li> <li>Court accompaniment provided.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul><li>11. Legal Assistance</li><li>Legal assistance with TRO's and other protective and/or custody</li></ul>	$\boxtimes$			
	<ul> <li>orders.</li> <li>If legal assistance is referred, OA on file with service providers.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data. Leg to local attorneys. Finding legal help has been a challenge for the agency. Curre local attorney, as no local attorney has been willing to work with the agency con	ently, no (	OA is o		
	<ul> <li>12. Local community services</li> <li>Involvement in local DV Council or other collaborative partnerships.</li> <li>Referrals made to other agencies in the DV services network.</li> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data.				
	<ul> <li>13. Household establishment</li> <li>DV victims receive assistance establishing a new residence.</li> <li>If household establishment assistance is referred, OA on file with service providers.</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Documentation procedures ensure accurate statistical data on PR.</li> <li>Meeting objective as proposed in Grant Award Agreement/Cal EMA 2-101.</li> </ul>				
	Comments: See notes on lack of written protocols for the collection of data. Some needs are met by inter-agency emails requesting goods that are needed. Some needs based resources.				
<u>40-H</u>	IOUR TRAINING				
	1. Can the project ensure advocates working with victims meet the requirements of a "domestic violence counselor" pursuant to				

C.	SUBLEMENTAL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW	<u>YES</u>	<u>NO</u>	<u>N/A</u>	
	Evidence Code §1037.1(a)(1)?				
	Comments:				
	2. Does the project have a current Training Summary/Training Syllabus which meets the requirements of Training Curriculum Resource and Development Guide?				
	Comments:				
<u>ADD</u>	ITIONAL REQUIREMENTS				
	1. Do the written policies pertaining to the provision of all services are inclusive of all domestic violence victims and their children per the RFA.				
	Comments:				
	2. Does the project provide alternative shelter and other services through motel vouchers and referrals, to the best of their abilities, to all victims of domestic violence served through this program per the RFA?				
	Comments:				
	<b>3.</b> Does the project have a children's program in their shelter facility per the RFA?				
	Comments:				
	<b>4.</b> Does the project make arrangements for school aged children to continue their education during their stay at the shelter per the RFA?				
	Comments:				
	<b>5.</b> Does the project have a documented policy for the handling and storage of confidential client information per the RFA?				
	Comments:				
	<b>6.</b> Does the project have adequate policy and procedures, approved by the Board of Directors, to protect the agency from legal liability, including:				
	<ul> <li>Up to date bylaws which specify minimum/maximum number of, and formal process for selecting, members of the Board of</li> </ul>				
	<ul> <li>Directors;</li> <li>Up to date personnel policies which include grievance procedures, leave policies, work hour and benefit policies, regular staff</li> </ul>	$\boxtimes$			

#### C. SUBLEMENTAL PROGRAMMATIC REVIEW

YES NO N/A

evaluations, and policies for setting salaries and increases.

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YES NO N/A

**NOTES**:

### California Emergency Management Agency EEO CHECKLIST - B

#### For Federally Funded CBOs and All State Funded Recipients (Monitoring/Site Visits)

**RECIPIENT(s):** Plumas Rural Services

**IMPLEMENTING AGENCY:** Plumas Rural Services

**GRANT AWARD #(s):** DV09121657

**FEDERAL \$:** \$147,435

**STATE \$:** \$184,968

**CONTACT PERSON AT SITE:** Paula Johnston

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State funded recipients, Community Based Organizations (CBOs), Indian Tribes and Educational/Medical Institutions are exempt from the U.S. Department of Justice requirement of developing an EEOP. CBOs however are monitored by the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services in EEO compliance matters.

All California Emergency Management Agency (CalEMA) recipients, regardless of the type of entity or the amount awarded, are subject to the prohibitions against discrimination in any program or activity and may be required by CalEMA or the U.S. Department of Justice, through selected compliance reviews, to submit data to ensure their services are delivered in an equitable manner to all segments of the service population and their employment practices comply with civil rights requirements.

The following is to assure that CalEMA recipients receiving State and Federal financial assistance are in compliance with civil rights requirements. Please verify that the following EEO documents are available at the site/monitoring visit. If they are not available, please note on this checklist and forward to the EEO Office.

#### **California Emergency Management Agency**

### EEO CHECKLIST - B

	1.	EEO POLICY - A current Equal Employment Opportunity Policy Statement. The statement should specifically state that the agency is an equal opportunity employer and does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religious creed, ancestry, national origin, age, sex (including pregnancy, childbirth or related medical conditions), marital status, sexual orientation (heterosexuality, homosexuality and bisexuality), medical condition (cancer and genetic characteristics), or disability (medical and physical, including HIV and AIDS), ard denial of family medical care leave and pregnancy leave. Additionally, this policion must also apply to deliveries of services to clients and volunteers. This policy makes the posted in a prominent place accessible to employees, applicants and clients YES (Request a copy of the policy and indicate if has been issued to state NO (Provide attachment 1B)	nd Cy nust S.
	2.	SEXUAL HARASSMENT POLICY - A current policy specifically stating all employees have a right to work in an environment free from all forms of discrimination, including sexual harassment, retaliation and hostile work environment.  YES   (Request a copy of the policy.)  NO  (Provide attachment 2B)	
	3.	<b>DISCRIMINATION COMPLAINT PROCEDURE</b> - Has the recipient adopted a discrimination complaint procedure for filing complaints, both for their employee	26
		volunteers and clients?	,55,
		YES (Request a copy of the procedure.)	
		NO (Provide attachment 3B)	
		<ul> <li>NONDISCRIMINATION POSTER - The CA Department of Fair Employment Housing (DFEH) poster entitled "Harassment or Discrimination in Employment Prohibited by Law" must be posted in a conspicuous location accessible to employees and applicants for employment.</li> <li>YES</li></ul>	
		. PUBLICATIONS – Does the recruitment materials or publications include a	
		policy statement of nondiscrimination for participants, beneficiaries, applicant employees?	ts, or
		YES (Request copy of document) NO	
		c. COORDINATOR - Has the recipient identified a person responsible for	
	N	coordinating complaints?  ME: Paula Johnston	
		TLE: Chief Operating Officer	
	F	IONE: 530-283-3611	g
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## California Emergency Management Agency EEO CHECKLIST - B

7. FINDINGS OF DISCRIMINATION – Has the agency had any findings of discrimination issued in the last five years by the Agency, Federal/State Court, or Federal/State administrative agency (i.e. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission (EEOC), California Department of Fair Employment and Housing (DFEH), etc.).  YES NO
■ 8. ALLEGATIONS OF DISCRIMINATION – Has the agency been made aware of any current allegations of discrimination within the (last 2 years) originating from an employee, volunteer or client?  YES ■ NO ■
9. DISSEMINATION of the Equal Employee Opportunity Plan and the Equal Employment Opportunity Policy - A plan to disseminate the EEO Plan and the EEO Policy to all employees, volunteers, clients and to the general public.  YES (Request a copy) NO (provide attachment 10A)
10. LIMITED ENGLISH PROFICIENCY (LEP)* – Has the recipient taken reasonable steps to ensure meaningful access to their programs, services, and information on the services the recipient provides, free of charge? Additionally, has the recipient established and implemented policies and procedures for language assistance services that provide LEP persons with meaningful access, i.e. oral interpretation services, bilingual staff, telephone interpreter lines, written language services, community volunteers, etc.
YES (Request a copy) NO (provide attachment 11A)
*Persons who do not speak English as their primary language and who have limited ability to read, speak, write, or understand English can be limited English proficient (LEP).
I hereby certify this EEOP Checklist is accurate and complete to the best of my knowledge.
PROGRAM SPECIALIST NAME: Jason Stalder
PROGRAM SPECIALIST TELEPHONE: 916-324-9104
<b>DATE:</b> 4/7/10

#### **COMMENTS:**

The Equal Employee Opportunity Plan is in the Employee Handbook and is disseminated to employees. It is not disseminated to the volunteers, clients, or the general public. The agency also currently lacks a policy for dealing with those in need of accommodation and those with limited English proficiency.

Upon completion, please send a copy of this checklist to Lisa Abila, EEO Compliance Officer, CalEMA Headquarters.